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CALLING ALL MEMBERS

There'll be singing; there'll be excitement; but positively no speeches! Such is the program for the Annual Meeting of the Farm Credit Club in the Little Theater, on Wednesday, June 27, at 4:30 p.m. Every member should be there. YOU should be there, Remember to get your 1945 membership card from your contact committeeman before the annual meeting.

In addition to electing a board of directors and officers to carry on during the coming year, important changes in the by-laws will be acted upon. (See page 8 of the May 30 issue of the GRAPEVINE.)

Come and help make this an exciting and interesting meeting.

The Date: June 27

The Time: 4:30 p.m.

The Place: The Little Theater



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For more than a year Marie Wassenberg has served as Associate Editor, but conflicting official assignments prevent her from continuing in this position. Her assist-

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ance in the past is greatly appreciated. She will be missed, of course, but Katherine Delany, Executive Secretary of the Club, has been appointed Associate Editor, and the GRAPEVINE will continue "as usual"

FARM CREDIT CLUB MOVIES

WINGED HORIZONS (in color) Monday, June 18, 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 19, 12:45 p.m.

Due to the length of this picture there will be one showing on Monday for those who have the 12:15 lunch period and another showing on Tuesday for those who go to lunch at 12:45. This film is presented by TWA and depicts the present and postwar periods insofar as air travel is concerned.

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LETTERS FROM OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

James B. Craighill, (J.A. Section, Hq. Adv. Sec., Ucm. Z, APO 113, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.) I, following the armies as usual, am getting rather deep into Germany and seeing many very interesting, if not always pleasant, things. So many of the cities of Germany we have passed through are completely destroyed and almost deserted. Some of them in that category still have empty shells of buildings standing, but some, Duren for instance, appear to be nothing but one pile of rubble with a road shoveled through the middle. One can't help thinking, however, of the many cities in other countries almost if not quite as badly destroyed.

In the past eight or nine months I have tried and reviewed many court-martial cases in England, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and now Germany, living in everything from fine hotels to pup

tents and shell torn chapels (well, I spent one night in the latter anyway).

I was lucky enough to draw, and I mean literally "draw" from a hat, a three-day pass to Paris recently. There I saw for the first time in the ETO my sister Mary who is a captain in the WAC and her husband. Paris itself lived up to my high expectations in most respects although the train ride there in a 1898 third class coach with all the windows blown out did not.

Pfc. R. W. Mars, USMCR, Office of the Paymaster, Marine Units, Navy #3252, c/o FPO, San Francisco, California.

Although it has been well over a year since I was called out of FCA to don a uniform, the GRAPEVINE has served well to help me keep up to date on FCA activities. It is like a letter from home giving nows of family doings. I've appreciated every issue, and read each one with an eagerness you people right there can hardly appreciate. Especially so now since I am stuck way out here in the Western Carolines on a coral rock. In one of the recent issues I noticed Capt. Bob Beach is almost a neighbor of mine.

Greetings to all my credit union friends, and PC Division associates, and others. Thanks again for remembering us out here where it's hot, and next to the equator as we are, hot is hotter than hot in K.C.

NEW SERVICE ADDRESSES

(Change your directory, or add to it)

Capt. Clinton O. Baltimore 1009 - 70th St. Kenosha, Wisc. Carl A. Cleek SP I 2/c Personnel Records IBM U.S.N.T. and D.C. Farragut, Idaho Helen M. Jones S 1/c RM U.S.N.S.R.S. Imperial Beach San Diego 48, Cal.

Homer A. Calloway Major A.C. Shipment Supv., AAF Ord. Box 3000 Greensboro, N.C. Capt, Wm. T. Kane 0-650420 Hq. 5th Wing U.S. APO 520 c/o PM New York, New York

Pfc. R. W. Mars
USMCR
(See letter in
current issue)

Recently our attention was called to the following item in the SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS:

Maj. Leslie E. Soderberg, (a former Farm Credit Examiner) this week became commanding officer of Camp Stanley, the ammunition division of San Antonio Arsenal. He formerly served as executive officer at Camp Stanley, 20 miles north of downtown San Antonio. Major Soderberg was previously stationed at Normoyle.

Master Sergeant Alex F. Hudgins, of the Army Engineers Corps, notes in a pamphlet concerning the Engineers, issued by <u>Stars and Stripes</u>, that he took part in the battle of Nuenberg. Alex is on leave from his position of Information Agent for the Farm Credit Administration of Baltimore.

Get this, you folks who want to soak
The Axis on the button,
The Bonds you keep help out a heap
--The Bonds you cash do nuttin'!

BUY WAR BONDS . FOR THE MIGHTY SEVENTH

Strictly Personal

Central Office Accounting. Mabel Kluttz was extended get well wishes by coworkers as she parted from FCA for a long rest at her home in Clinton, Mo...Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mills are eastern vacationists ... Back from school at Fort Royal, Va., Buddy Crim is relaxing at the Crim home near Lenexa, Kans....Rosella Reiff has returned to her desk following a short illness...Doris Schmeltz departed for an eastern trip with a former school chum, Kitty Carpenter, of Newark, N.J...Audit Unit loses Yvonne Meuers to the Signal Corps now located in the former Annex... J. L. Wilkinson has returned from an official business trip to D. C...Lorraine Morava is a vacationist at her home in Wilbur, Nebr.... A new son named David Anthony arriving on May 31 at St. Joseph Hospital was the joyful news received from Mel and Inicile Jacomet ... George Froelke says "Can you top this one?" During one of the early spring storms a tree in his back yard was partially uprooted and left standing at a definite slant. After several vain efforts to right it. he made arrangements to have it pulled back into an upright position with the aid of a block and tackle. BUT before the equipment arrived, along came another storm and he looked out the window to see the tree standing up again as straight and tall as ever!

Chief of Administrative Division's Office and Planning. Bernice Meuers departed for Hamel, Minn., to spend a 2 weeks' vacation at her home during the illness of her father...Lyle Young returned to his desk a little pale after a short siege of the flu...South and eastward bound C. G. Lockwood will visit Georgia and South Carolina on a combined personal business and pleasure trip...

Dick Kaufmann in a flying trip joined his family in Tulsa for a week end...

L. B. Collins returned to the office all out of breath from a move to his new home near 56th and Locust Streets.

Cooperative. Virginia Hibbs vacationed for a week at her home in Kansas City... Leora Welch's mother arrived from Okla., for a 2 weeks' visit...Dorwin Scott is an eastward traveling vacationist.

Examination. Mary Nolz, who departed for familiar territory to accept a position with the Veterans Administration in Minneapolis, was remembered by coworkers with a white plastic handbag...Gladness reigns in the home of Kay McCarthy because of the return of Kay's brother from the European theatre of war for a 30 days' furlough...Charlotte Liebling's soldier brother arrived from Geneva, Nebr., for a visit at home.

Finance and Accounts. With the transfer of Karney Brasfield to Washington, D.C., and a position with Commodity Credit Corporation. Jimmy Pitts has taken over the comptrollership...Jerry Beauchamp was a recent resignee from FCA...Bob Drescher is new a permanent member of Calculating Unit...Mary Kidwell's brother, Lt. Folix Polzel, visited her en route to the Scuth Pacific ... Glistens a new diamond on the left hand of Loree Carlson since her return from California ... Rosalie Mountjoy from Stenographic Section is detailing in Kenneth Light's office...Opal Brown is welcomed to Securities Section...Lorraine Meuers is spending some time at her home in Hamel. Minn., to be near her father who is ill ... A recent guest of Vivian Anderson was Lt. Marvin Wade who stopped in Kansas City en route to a new assignment ... Delta Vaughn has returned from a week's "vacation" helping on the farm near Wellington, Kans.... Mae Gregory spent a week end at her home in Kirksville. Mo...Official business took W. F. Patterson to Springfield...Helen

Brecheisen's sunburn was evidence of a vacation spent picking strawberries and fishing at her home near Garnett, Kans... W. T. McKeown has returned from a field trip to D. C. and New York ... Lena Kent and her daughter journeyed to Harris, Mo., to visit a relative.

General Files. Delma Ford, a transferee from EC&FL of Spokane, is welcomed to the section... Rose Fleming spent some leave enjoying visits from her sons, Capt. Eugene Fleming, who returned to California, and Lt. Hubert Fleming, who departed for Winter General Hospital, Topeka, Kans, for further treatment of an injured leg ... Kansas City Decoration Day vacationists include Virginia Bradbury, Geraldine Williams, Rose Santoro, and Mary Jane Sullivan...Mildred Schmeltz dropped in to bid goodbye to former coworkers before leaving for Los Angeles where she will enter the convent of the Sisters of Social Service or "Gray Sisters."

Governor's Office. Jeanette Paetzer is recuperating at her home from a tonsillectomy...A recent guest of Aline Dunham's was her son, Danny Foster, who arrived from Pawnee City, Nebr.

Information & Extension. Catherine Champe is spending a few days at home entertaining her daughter, a student of Northwestern University of Illinois, and her brother, of New Orleans...Cornelius King is back at his desk after an extended illness...Following graduation, Ralph Foster's daughter, Ann, and Mrs. Foster have arrived in Kansas City to complete the family circle...Frances Price visited for a few days at the home of her roommate in Stanberry, Mo....A week end was spent by Mary Watson at her home in Albany, Mo.

Intermediate Credit. Johnny Walker, presently recuperating from an illness in Jacksonville, Fla. (address: c/o General Eng. Co., PO Box 2326) writes that the sunshine and ocean breezes are having a tonic effect on him.

Land Bank. With blushes came the announcement from Lila Owens on her return from a week end trip of her marriage on June 2 to William Campbell in Junction City, Kans....William Snyder, former NFLA'er, now with the Bureau of the Budget in D. C., was a recent visitor ... Ruth Clayton has parted from FCA to accept a position with the Bureau of Labor Statistics...Interior decorating was the avocation chosen by Ray McWhirt during a few days leave at home ... Arisa Tattershall journeyed to her home in Hamilton. Mo., for a short visit... Garnelle Sizemore counted the hours and minutes before boarding the plane for a vacation in Burlington, Iowa... The NFIA section was among the lucky offices to receive a bouquet of flowers from the vard of Laura Miller... A double birthday luncheon at the Muchlebach Coffee Shop on May 28 for Dorothy Griffith and LaVerne Ferguson was a treat of Bernice Schmitt... Comes news that W. R. Parkhill, a not so long ago retiree, is now a real "tiller of the soil" in a beautiful spot near Lafayette, Calif.

Mail. Kathleen Thomas was honored on her birthday, June 2, with a surprise bridge party given by Alvina Preinkert of General Files Section. Prizes were won by Marie Puhr, Louise Pressgrove. and Pearl Ferguson; other guests were Julia Connor, Alice Snuffer, and Verna Brewer...Bob Dillon, on return from a short vacation in Leavenworth, Kans. is still trying to acquire a few additional pounds, which we feel should not be such a problem with so many feminine members of the section quite willing to part with more than a few...Memorial Day was remembered in the section with the spreading of a picnic luncheon...Thanks to Laura Miller and Virginia Paine, our office was made brighter with bouquets of roses.

Mortgage Corporation Service. John Dayhill is vacationing in St. Paul...Betty Phillips is visiting at her home in 5 Topeka.

Personnel. Bill Moore has returned from an official business trip to Washington, D. C....Gerry Lloyd weekended at Beverly Lake, Mo....Marie Wassenberg's mother of Frankfurt, Kans., is a guest of hers... Attendance of the graduation exercises of his daughter, Joyce, at Christian College in Columbia, Mo., was a recent pleasure of Milton Hoberecht... Rosemary Dawes is "up in the air" over the arrival of her fiancee, Maj. Warren Bales, from the European theater of war and her pending wedding on June 26...Camille Humbrecht is once again a proud aunt, this time of a nephew...Mary Lee Vincent has returned from a visit with her sister in Bartlesville, Ckla.... A weekend was spent by Betty Taylor at her home in Maryville, Mo....Francis Sayre's life was brightened by the arrival of her husband on leave from the Navy... Presently vacationing are Ruth Biggerstaff in Norman, Okla., attending the graduation of her brother from Naval school; Katherine Delany in Florida; and Gordon Van Leer and Evelyn Gibson in Kansas City.

Production Credit. Mary Hague made a flying trip to Omaha where she vacationed with friends...Bernie Uhlenhop, following an official business trip to Louisville, joined Virginia in Illinois for a 2 weeks' vacation...Comes a letter from Lt. Paul James in which he tells of a recent visit with "Cap" Arnold's son, Lt. Bob Arnold...Kathleen Belshaw was on the sick list for several days...Recent visitors in the division were W. E. Anderson, president of the PCC of Omaha, and W. S. Brock, president of the PCC of St. Louis.

Purchase & Supply. Virginia Paine spent a weekend in Ames, Iowa, to impress the family of a certain red-headed ensign... James Green is welcomed to the section.

Regional Agricultural Credit. Katherine Pelton is vacationing in Sioux City and Odebolt, Iowa.

Revolving Fund. Louise Schwendeman entertained her mother during a stopover while enroute from a visit with relatives in Washington, D. C., to her home in Solomon, Kans.

Stenographic. Newcomer Bettye Warnock is welcomed to the section...Grace Whiteside's mother was a visitor in the section recently...Ensign Faye Hanley, in Kansas City for a visit, greeted former coworkers.

DO YOU KNOW . . .

That a credit union is a cooperative bank which can afford to lend its members money cheaply because of its low overhead?

That a loan from your fellow members can be had with less investigation than from any other small loan agency?

That only FCA employees can have a loan from us. and therefore do not have the risks which other agencies must take?

That most state laws permit loan companies to charge 3 percent interest per month on the unpaid balance of a loan? That 3 percent per month is 36 percent per year?

That your credit union charges but 1 percent per month on the unpaid balance?

That you can borrow for 1 month \$10 for 10 cents, \$25 for 25 cents, and \$100 for \$1?

That you can become a shareholder while you repay your loan?

That your credit union can give you long repayment periods for educational, medical, and dental loans?

THEY STARTED IT ON THE 7TH --LET'S END IT WITH THE 7TH:

Home Service News

FCA girls who belong to the Red Cross Motor Corps enjoyed a delightful picnic supper on June 8 at Mrs. Grover's farm, 75th and Belinder Road. Food was "tops" and a 3-piece orchestra added to the gayety of the evening. Those in attendance included Marie Wassenberg, Lorraine Lagergren, Catherine Hardy, Dorothy Owens, Violet Hardin, Alma Franklin, and Delta Vaughn. Top honors have recently been won by Alma and Delta in that they have been among the group awarded pins by the Red Cross for contributing over 500 hours service since the attack on Peacl Haybor,

The course being offered by the Red Cross to business women who desire to be members of the Gray Tadies group is proving most interesting to Jean Sutter, Karine Barstad, and Mary Inchbaum. They feel a real opportunity will be given to serve in the hospitals, and they hope other FCA girls will be interested in joining them in this training.

A TIMELY REMINDER

Even if the war ended this very moment you still would be doing the best thing for yourself and your family by investing the biggest amount in War Bonds today you have ever saved for future spending.

From a strictly self-interest viewpoint you cannot afford to fritter away war

wages in a market of scarce goods. New autos, new homes, new appliances, new radios, will not be coming off production lines instantly the last shot is fired by one of your tired relatives or friends. War Bonds will make wonderful peace-time ammunition when they mature \$4 for every \$3 you store away now.

P. S. Just to bring you out of that postwar dream, take another look at the headlines. There's still a war on. You and your money are needed to beat the Japs. The bonds you buy today are WAR bonds. There'll be time 10 years hence for you to think of them as PEACE BONDS.

(Minute Man)

WASHINGTON NEWS

We Washington folks are upholding the old FCA tradition of "annual get-togethers" by holding our picnic this year on June 12 (after hours) in Rock Creek Park. Ninety-two FCA'ers - friends and families thoroughly enjoyed themselves, as well as the perfect June weather, to say nothing of the roasted hot dogs, baked beans, potato chips, homemade cake and ice cream coffee and "cokes." The only casualties were mainly from overeating, but H. H. Hulbert got a bump on his head from a ball thrown by "Wolf" Mann (who incidentally had to see an osteopath from his over-strenuous pitching), and John Heckman was seen to be "bowled over" by W. W. Fetrow's young son. There is still some speculation over Jane Scearce's mysterious disappearance. Major and Mrs. Fogelberg were among the guests present.

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Club Room States

New books recently received in the club library include:

THE BEST FROM YANK
MISSION BEYOND DARKNESS, Joseph Bryan, III
WINE OF SAN LORENZO, Herbert Gorman
THESE ARE THE RUSSIANS, Richard Lauterbach

DRAGON'S HARVEST, Upton Sinclair NONE SHALL KNOW, Martha Albrand THAT GIRL FROM MEMPHIS, Wilbur Daniel

AN EYE FOR AN EYE, Oliver Weld Bayer SILVER MOON COTTAGE, Sara Ware Basett

The following books were donated to the club library by Kathryn Vance. Similar donations will be gratefully received by the librarian.

NIGHT OF THE CARTER MURDER, Royce Howes THE WHISPERING GHOST, Stephen Chalmers THE SINISTER SHADOW, Henry Holt THE FRENCH POWDER MYSTERY, Ellery Queen

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do which must be done. whether you like it or not. Being forced to do your best will breed in you temperance, self-control, diligence, strength of will, content, and a hundred other virtues the idle will never know.

- - Charles Kingsley

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FARM CREDIT CLUB MOVIES (Continued from page 2)

SOUTH OF THE BORDER WITH DISNEY (in color)
Tuesday, June 26, 12:15 and 1:00 p.m.

This film, shown here in 1944, will again be shown in answer to several requests for a repeat performance.

ALL STAR WAR BOND RALLY Tuesday, July 3, 12:15 and 1:00 p.m. with

> Bing Crosby --- Bob Hope Frank Sinatra -- Betty Grable Harry James -- Harpo Marx Linda Darnell -- Jeanne Crain Fibber McGee and Molly

For the benefit of those people who missed this short subject at the local theaters it is suggested that you not miss it this time.

More than 1,000,000 boys and girls have been or will be graduated from school and college this June. If each of them received just one War Bond graduation present from a parent, relative, or friend, it would mean a minimum investment of 25 million dollars in their future and the future of America.

Where all think alike, no one thinks very much.
---Walter Lippmann

Newest Wolf line: . "Come up to my place and see my cigarettes."



FCA SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE

Team Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pin Fall
Browns Tigers Red Sox Senators Yankees Athletics Indians White Sox	13 12 9 9 9 8 6 6	5 6 9 9 10 12 12	12,309 11,753 11,600 11,330 11,198 11,145 11,995 11,030
Records			
HTG HTS	Indians Browns		784 2,206
HIG (men) HIG (women)	Frazee Anderson		256 256
HIS (men) HIS (women)	Frazee Anderson		615 555
Averages			
Men -	Frazee M&Whirt Drescher		165 162 162
Women -	Anderson McGee Ruch		161 137 134

DO YOU KNOW . . .

That credit union members may borrow for any provident purpose, such as house repair, vacation, taxes, insurance, clothing furniture, wedding, funeral, automobile, coal, or debt consolidation?

WELCOME BACK

for the past week or so, Doug Lawrence has again become a prominent figure in the Farm Credit Administration. Those who were not in on the workings of the grapevine" were astounded to see him again in our midst for we did not know that he had decided to come back to his old love, the FCA. For more than a week now, he has been the genial head of Finance and Accounts.

We knew that Doug was enthusiastic about his assignment with Consumers Cooperative Association and had caught the spirit of that aggressive organization. The opportunity to participate in a broader field of financing and accounting, which he says is his calling, was perhaps the tempting factor that tilted the scales. Also, there was a matter of 16 years of civil service credit that undoubtedly had some weight. Doug says that he felt he had completed the first phase of his assignment with CCA and that the work had progressed to the point where he was certain that his coworkers in CCA could handle the job quite effectively and as well as he could.

"I left the CCA," Doug says, "with a good deal of regret because I had never worked with a group of people who had more enthusiasm, who were more loyal to their organization and its objectives, and who put more punch into their actions than they did. They have established a reputation for hard work and willingness to find new ways of doing things, and I think their sincerity and energy and 'know-how' will carry them far. I left their organization with a high regard for its directors and operating personnel."

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BUY BONDS FOR BOMBS --DURING THE SEVENTH WAR LOAN

POETS' CORNER

FCA's writing class is continuing with a six weeks course in poetry writing. As there were not enough from FCA registered for the course to warrant a separate class for FCA, the five girls who are interested in writing poetry are getting their instructions from Mrs. Plummer in her regular YWCA class.

The present trend in poetry writing frowns upon contractions, inversions, omission of articles, cliches, and archaic words. In spite of these difficulties already the girls have written verse which indicates poetic ability and a promise to reveal further hidden talents.

BLEEDING FOOT STEPS

This assignment sure was tough, Took me more than just a week. Who thought up this trochee stuff Must be somewhat of a freak. If the meter comes out right Then the rhyming slips a gear. When I try with all my might Still my trochee all sounds queer.

Once I thought my verse was fine I let out a grateful sigh Then in almost every line Some inversion caught my eye. On contractions too I dote. But I dare not use a one. Writing trochee gets my goat, Even this was not much fun.

HVW

DAYTIME MOON

The daytime moon dreams pale above. She is a modest maid, - a dove Unnoticed by mere mortal man. As dusk furls closed the sunset fan, The Cinderella of the day

Now throws her ash-strewn gown away. And clad in lambent garb of light Becomes a brilliant queen at night.

WEEDS OF THOUGHT

I trim and cut and mow my mind, With vim I pluck each weed I find, Then when I have it neat and clean; Like dandelions upon the green A thought shocts up - a nasty weed, But watch it blossom - damn that seed.

KC

GIRL GRADUATE

You are not dressed today
In the usual way,
With two pigtails drawn tight
And your slacks such a sight,
In your father's old shirt
And your face smudged with dirt.

You are dainty and sweet And enchantingly neat With a rose in your hair. Your smooth gown draped with care. As you older your degree You are lovely to see.

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ALL HEADS - NO TAILS

Every day about ten
F. C. A. gets a yen
For some coffee and cake
So at rest time they take
To their heels up the stairs
Where the lunch counter wares
Are displayed in such style
Wooden images smile,
So they say.

But if you have a hunch
That each pays for his lunch
It is high time you knew
That a lot of the crew
Match each other a dime
To see who pays each time,
But the guy who will pay
Is the same guy each day.
So they say.

HVW

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